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representative an account of the work which is being done in Freetown and Lagos under his direction as leader of the expedition sent out by the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, in the course of which he said it was too early to speak of the sanitary work at Freetown, but the number of the mosquitoes in the center of the town had certainly been largely reduced. There were hardly any to be found in Dr. Logan Taylor's house, where formerly they used to swarm, and the same state of affairs prevailed at Government House, where Major Ross stayed with the Governor. Dr. McKendrick, of the Indian Medical Service, who had been deputed to watch over the operations of the expedition on behalf of the Government of India, was not bitten once during a whole month. In former days he would certainly have been bitten at least five or six times a day. Major Ross said he had no doubt that the expeditions would be successful and that they would be continued as long as necessary. At Lagos the measures adopted by Sir William Macgregor were admirable and he was confident of success. The Governor of Accra, Major Nathan, was anxious to start similar work there at once, and doubtless experts would be sent out immediately by the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine. On the whole, Major Ross expressed himself as being well satisfied with his tour. Personally he did not think the health of the Coast was as bad as was painted. He believed that by minute attention to details the place would be made as healthy as India for Europeans. Old West Africans are sober and careful and generally live in very good health. It was the improvident newcomer who generally seemed to suffer. He had been informed that there was a high rate of mortality amongst such on the Cape Coast.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

MRS. PHOEBE HEARST has agreed to pay all the expenses of a department of anthropology at the University of California, which will be devoted especially to the study of Indians of the Pacific coast.

MR. AARON FRENCH, the Pittsburg manufacturer, who has made large gifts to the

Georgia School of Technology, has established a third scholarship in that institution.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY receives about \$40,000 by the will of the late Justice George N. Kennedy.

By the death of Mrs. Henrietta Cramp, Wesleyan College, at Bloomington, Ill., has received \$50,000, bequeathed to it by the late Rev. Samuel Cramp.

WE recently had occasion to call attention to the great development of the universities of the Central and Western States during the past ten years. There is every reason to suppose that in the course of the next ten years a great advance will be made in the Southern States. Tulane University has recently made great progress, and the University of South Carolina, under the presidency of Dr. F. P. Venable, will have this year about 600 students. This university should be included among those competent to carry on advanced work, though it was omitted from our summary of the universities awarding the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. There were, as a matter of fact, two doctorates of philosophy awarded last year, as follows :

Archibald Henderson, Mathematics : 'The Cone of the Normals and an Allied Cone for Central Surfaces of the Second Degree.'

James E. Mills, Chemistry : 'Some Molecular Changes caused by Rise in Temperature.'

As a result of the recent troubles in the Storrs Agricultural College, Mr. George W. Flint has been dismissed from the presidency. Professor R. W. Stimson, who holds the chair of English at the College, has been appointed acting president.

PROFESSOR E. M. WOOD, of Baker University, at Baldwin, Kansas, is to succeed the late Professor Henry Benner, as professor of mathematics and astronomy in Albion (Mich.) College.

PROFESSOR THOMAS C. ESTY, of Amherst, has succeeded Professor Baker in the chair of mathematics at the University of Rochester.

PAUL ARNOLD, M.A., of Los Angeles, has been appointed professor of mathematics in the University of Southern California.